

Please amend the claims as follows:

1.(cancelled)—~~An invention that is used in conjunction with a lens for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry, comprising:~~

~~a surface that is positioned on the object side of the lens facing away from the lens,~~

~~an aperture through the surface for allowing the gemstone to be viewed on the object side of the lens and~~

9 1 ~~a plurality of concentric rings arranged on the surface, at least one ring having a different color from another.~~

2.(cancelled)—~~An invention that is used in conjunction with a lens for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry, comprising:~~

~~a surface that is positioned on the object side of the lens facing away from the lens,~~

~~an aperture through the surface for allowing the gemstone to be viewed on the object side of the lens, and~~

~~a plurality of colored areas on the surface, at least one of such areas having a different color from another.~~

3.(currently amended) An invention used in conjunction with a lens for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry, comprising:

a cylindrical surface directly attached to ~~positioned on~~ the object side of a lens forming an opening through which a gemstone is viewable on the object side of said lens, and wherein said surface is comprised of a plurality of bands, at least one of said bands having a different color from another.

4.(currently amended) An invention used in conjunction with a lens for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry, comprising:

a cylindrical surface directly attached to ~~positioned on~~ the object side of a lens forming an opening through which a gemstone is viewable on the object side of said lens, and wherein said surface is comprised of a plurality of colored areas, at least one of said areas having a different color from another.

5.(cancelled) ~~An apparatus comprising the combination of an invention for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry and a lens usable in conjunction with said invention, the invention being defined in any one of claims 1-4, and the lens being a camera lens.~~

6.(currently amended) An invention used in conjunction with a lens for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry, comprising:

a surface directly attached to ~~on~~ the object side of the lens forming an opening through which a gemstone is viewable on the object side of said lens, and wherein said surface is comprised of a plurality of areas, at least one of said areas having a different color from another.

7.(new) An apparatus comprising the combination of an invention for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry and a lens usable in conjunction with said invention, the invention being defined in claim 3, and the lens being a camera lens.

8.(new) An apparatus comprising the combination of an invention for judging a gemstone's brightness and symmetry and a lens usable in conjunction with said invention, the invention being defined in claim 4, and the lens being a camera lens.